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PROPOSED CHERRY DUTY TOO LOW

The Statesman has finally received the full printed text of the proposed new tariff bill as introduced by Chairman Fordney of the Ways and Means Committee of the House of Representatives, with the index to the bill.

It makes a book of 346 pages, and the index is a book in smaller type of 31 pages. The bill as introduced represents a work of months, with hearings and investigations covering a vast amount of labor and research, reaching out to the very ends of the earth.

And the work was well done, on the whole—

And the conclusions are generally sound.

But there is one item, at least, and perhaps there are numerous others, that should be corrected before the bill leaves the House, or, if not there, in the Senate, or in the conference committee—

And that is the item on cherries.

It is Paragraph 738, and the following is its reading: "Cherries, in their natural state or in brine, 1½ cents per pound; maraschino cherries and cherries prepared or preserved in any manner, 20 per cent ad valorem."

One and a half cents a pound is not high enough for adequate protection on cherries in the natural state or in brine, and no doubt the members of the Ways and Means Committee were confused by the maraschino lobbyists, for our Congressman Hawley's dispatch to The Statesman, some weeks ago, showed plainly that he thought cherries in brine came under the designation of "prepared or preserved in any manner," that they would thus take a duty of 20 per cent ad valorem, and that this duty would amount to over six cents a pound.

The paragraph does not read that way at all—

And the maraschino lobbyists of course knew better, and it is very plain that they thought they would get by with their joker.

The way it stood in the bill as introduced, it was plainly a joker; it plainly put cherries in brine with cherries in their natural state, at one and a half cents a pound—

Whereas Congressman Hawley, by implication, said they would, under the clause as written, bear a duty higher than six cents a pound.

Mr. Hawley's attention was called to this, by wire, by letter, and through the columns of The Statesman, and he has no doubt seen the point, and called the attention of the other members of the Ways and Means Committee to it, and had the proper correction made—for that committee has the right to make such corrections unreservedly, under the rules adopted to govern the consideration of this bill.

The 20 per cent ad valorem for maraschino cherries or those prepared or preserved in any manner is high enough—

With one exception—

And that is for cherries "prepared or preserved" by being put in brine in barrels for shipment from France and Italy to the United States, which is the only way in which many (and perhaps any) have been shipped, or would be shipped.

In that form, they are really "prepared or preserved," on their way in the regular process of being manufactured for maraschino purposes, and should have been so ruled by the customs officials under the Underwood law—

But, nevertheless, 20 per cent ad valorem is not high enough for cherries under that form. It would be lower than in their natural state, as provided by the paragraph as quoted—

For cherries in brine have been selling at the ports of the United States, as The Statesman has frequently pointed out, at 5 cents a pound; and that would, under such an ad valorem rate, make their duty only one cent a pound, which would be almost as bad as no protection at all—

And so would any thing under six cents a pound.

If the maraschino trust's lobbyists get by with their joker, it will surely show that there are powerful influences

at work along that line at Washington; and the writer hopes, for the good name of the United States, and for the well being of the cherry growers of the Salem district, and every where else in the United States, that the paragraph has been or will be written so plain that there can be no chance of confusion or misinterpretation by those who will have to administer the new tariff law.

It should say: "Cherries in their natural state or in brine, 6 cents a pound."

Then there can be no sort of confusion; no chance of a joker. The rest of the paragraph reads all right as it is.

The former kaiser is kicking on his tax bills. But that is a privilege that cannot wholly be appropriated by busted royalty.

Secretary Hughes was not the first man to use the term "economic vacuum." Every newspaper man just before pay day has felt the pangs of such a vacuum.

Just to show the world that we are sincerely in favor of disarmament President Harding has signed the naval bill calling for the appropriation of \$110,000,000, mere bagatelle.

Florida has just celebrated the 100th anniversary of the purchase of that state by the United States. In 2021 will they be celebrating the centenary of the appearance of Col. Bryan in that commonwealth?

Some kind volunteers are coming to the assistance of the slogan editor, who will on Thursday try to show that Salem is the most beautiful city in the world, either now in fact or in the making. Put more volunteers are wanted; today and tomorrow.

The former editor, Scott C. Bone, has sailed for his new duties as governor of Alaska. The people may look for Scott to use his blue pencil on some of the red tape in that country. The metaphor may be a little mixed, but the writer means well.

Students of politics affect to believe that party ties as between the present organizations are beginning to wear away and that the country will shortly be divided into three groups to be known as the Conservatives, the Liberals and the Radicals. Choose your partner for the political quadrille, balance all.

American dye manufacturers have increased their product by 40 per cent in a year, giving additional color to the conviction that the prospects for the country's commercial future are sound.

Professor Einstein has not been quite so complimentary to the United States as have some of our other distinguished European visitors, but he has been honest without being rude and his opinions have not proved that his celebrated "theory" is unsound, as some ruffled patriots appear to feel.—Springfield Republican.

Padewski, the famous pianist, rendered excellent service in extinguishing a forest fire near his residence at Paso Robles, Cal., the other day. So a piano pounder is of some good, after all.

COMING TOO THICK.

Fifty-two Chinese stowaways were taken from a single vessel touching Galveston harbor. Too many aliens for a single ship. The country can stand a few Chinamen with comfort, but when they smuggle themselves in at the rate of half a hundred to one boat they are too thick to be absorbed. Looks as if there were a bit of collusion somewhere.

BITS FOR BREAKFAST

Good old summer time—
And was summer weather ever finer?

The highway commission will now do some paving in Polk county. If the few fighting cocks over there can be restrained long enough.

Japan has got to sit in with the rest of the great powers to arrange for permanent peace, or stand out and be branded by the test of the world. It is high time there were a show-down, with all the cards face up. It must be a case of open diplomacy openly arrived at.

It is evident that the way to the state fair grounds is to remain in the deep dust for another year; to say nothing of the way into Salem from the north over the Pacific highway. It is unfortunate.

A pugilist is coming over to the United States to fight Dempsey. He must be the big cheese champion.

The council may propose, but the quarrels of the people eating dust and wading in mud in some of the northern sections of the city dispose, in holding up paving improvements out that way. Where is some one who will propose a new way, and show the way to carry it through, before the end of 1922?

MEXICAN MAY BE MUCH WANTED MAN

Donson Arrested on Minor Charge, is Now Held for Grand Larceny

Arrested Sunday for the minor offense of cutting a corner, yet two hours later lodged in the Salem jail on a charge of grand larceny with the possibility that federal charges will be preferred against him—that is the record of Archie Donson, alias William Hotell, 21, a Mexican, by local police as the result of a grueling examination in which he admitted having taken a stolen car from California into Oregon.

Brought to the station by Officer Birtcher, Donson first aroused suspicion when he became confused in his examination for the minor charge. After having told two different stories to Chief Moffitt and Sergeant Davis, he was subjected to a close examination under which he admitted he was not only wanted in California for many charges but was also wanted in Portland.

Feeling the "call of the north," Donson confiscated a lonely Chevrolet car in San Francisco. Thinking the old license plate insufficient for his use, he is alleged to have taken one from another car and put his old ones under the back seat.

He had gone but a short distance when he encountered two big obstacles—hunger and the shortage of gasoline. Consequently, he is said to have appropriated some gasoline from the nearest car and some chickens from a nearby chicken house.

Repeated the act as often as necessary along this trip, it is said, with the variation that he did not always take chickens, finding food in grocery stores that proved as palatable.

He next decided that it was not in keeping with his dignity that he should not have a driver's license, so when he came to a truck on which was a coat with a driver's license on it, he went on his way the possessor of the emblem, according to his admissions. This later caused a slight inconvenience, for it was necessary to alter the motor on the number to coincide with that on the license. He also was compelled to change his name to W. H. Gillet, a resident of Cottage Grove.

He will be arraigned in the local justice court and will probably be ordered held to await the arrival of California or federal officials.

Hard Surface Placed On Silverton Bridge

SILVERTON, Ore., July 18. (Special to The Statesman)—The hard surface has been put on the Main street bridge and it is again open to traffic.

Olaf Hillard has returned from Wisconsin. Mr. Hillard was driving the motor car of Mrs. C. Benson which left here for New York the middle part of May.

Mr. Hillard said it was entirely too warm for him in the east. Mrs. I. C. Benson, Miss Nettie Benson and Glenn Howe will continue on their trip and return to Oregon sometime this fall.

IF KIDNEYS ACT BAD TAKE SALTS

Says Backache is Sign You Have Been Eating Too Much Meat

When you wake up with headache and dull misery in the kidney region it generally means you have been eating too much meat, says a well-known authority. Meat forms uric acid which overworks the kidneys in their effort to filter it from the blood and they become sort of paralyzed and sluggish. When your kidneys get sluggish and clog you must relieve them, like you relieve your bowels; removing all the body's urinous waste; else you have backache, sick headache, dizzy spells; your stomach sour, tongue is coated, and when the weather is bad you have rheumatic twinges. The urine is cloudy, full of sediment, channels often get sore, water scalds and you are obliged to seek relief two or three times during the night.

Either consult a good, reliable physician at once or get from your pharmacist about four ounces of Jad Salts; take a tablespoonful in a glass of water before breakfast for a few days and your kidneys will then act fine. This famous salt is made from the acid of grapes and lemon juice, combined with lithia, and has been used for generations to clean and stimulate sluggish kidneys, also to neutralize acids in the urine so it no longer irritates, thus ending bladder weakness.

Jad Salts is a life saver for regular meat eaters. It is inexpensive, cannot injure and makes a delightful effervescent lithia-water drink.—Adv.

ACCIDENTS IN OREGON FEWER

Significant Figures Shown in Records of State Accident Commission

MORE LIVES CONSERVED

Few Appeals Are Made from Decisions of Industrial Insurance Body

Either the workmen of Oregon are getting more careful, or else they are reporting in a larger proportion of minor injuries as the laws become more liberal in caring for disabilities. The report of the state industrial accident commission for the year ending June 30, 1921, shows that out of a total of 112,651 claims filed in the eight years the commission has been in operation, there were 589 fatal accidents, or one in every 130 cases reported.

For the year 1920-21, out of the 20,078 claims filed, 137 were for fatal injuries, or one in every 149 claims. This reduction in the proportion of fatalities is perhaps attributable in part to the better conditions following the war. When everybody who wasn't cross-eyed or dumb could get a shipcarpenter's berth, and blunder under a towering ship-side and have another blunder drop a wrench or his head; or when a soft-handed city exquisite who thought that six-foot trees were as innocuous as sticks of candy and that they could go into the woods and jungle 'em around with impunity and get a few legs or heads crushed through fatal ignorance—then there were plenty of killings!

Fatalities Decrease
Now that the shipyards have practically closed, and they've gotten back to business building instead of a cost-plus patritism, there are fewer fatalities. Once more, however, there is the fact that the Oregon law has been so favorable to the workman that he reports every accident; for he is entitled to compensation for even one day's lay-off because of personal injury.

The Oregon law is believed to be the most liberal in the west, if not in the whole United States, in the matter of settlements. The commission has so simplified its work that most claims are acted on within a week of their filing. The average of filings has been 393 a week. The last count showed only 647 claims pending, or a small fraction over nine working days behind. This record is believed to have never been equaled in any other state.

No Waiting Period
There is no waiting period for a claim under the Oregon law. Some states do not receive a claim for injuries that do not incapacitate the workman for more than three days, or six days, or 10 days—the waiting periods vary with the states. Under these other state laws, the workman carries all his own risk for minor injuries that do not incapacitate for more than this waiting period of a few days. The Oregon law, however, calls for the payment of a cent a day from each workman, in plants operating under the compensation law, whereas in some other states the employer pays the whole bill. This one cent a day is aimed to cover the additional cost of insurance to cover all the minor injuries, and

is usually considered a good investment by the insured.

In the eight years of the Oregon commission's existence, fewer than 60 appeals have been made from the official settlement. Thirteen of these appeals are now pending. That the number of appeals is so small, speaks well indeed for the administration of the law. Most appeals naturally come from the injured, as the employers have paid in their money and it has already passed the personal point with them.

Receipts Are Heavy

During the almost eight years since it was opened for business, the commission has taken in \$12,909,054. The receipts for the last year alone were \$3,156,308, or almost one-quarter of the total for eight years, and for the biennium they make almost one-half of the eight-year total. The business is growing tremendously, as the figures show. The cessation of forest and sawmill and ship-building work has reduced both the receipts and the expenditures, so that for the immediate present there will be a shrinkage in figures over those of even a year ago.

By the law under which it was created, the commission is limited to 10 percent of its total revenues for all expenses of administration—salaries, traveling, printing, every item of cost outside of the actual payment of damage claims. The figures show that the administrative expense has been kept down to 8.37 percent, well under the maximum cost allowed by law. Compared with the costs of administering old line insurance, estimated at from 25 to 50 percent of all revenues, for advertising, agencies, officers and all other essentials, the Oregon compensation insurance seems to be remarkably efficient. When it can deliver to the injured workman, or his heirs, 91.63 percent of all the money raised for maintaining his insurance, it has achieved an enviable record. The tabular figures show that Oregon is one of the best states in the Union, in the standing of its industrial accident laws.

Gingrich Will Sing at Band Concert Tonight

Oscar B. Gingrich is again soloist for the concert in Willson park tonight, Director Oscar A. Steelhammer announced yesterday. He will sing in the place of Mrs. W. H. Prunk, who is on her vacation.

Mr. Gingrich appeared earlier in the season when he won much favorable comment by his interpretation of "O Sole Mio." His solo tonight will be "Tramp, Tramp, Tramp" and by special request he will also sing "Old Black Joe." His deep, clear voice is especially well adapted for the interpretation of these old melodies.

The program follows:
March, The White Rats... Pryor
Overture, Daughter of the Regiment... Tobani
La Valse Que Nous Aimons... Vasey
Popular numbers... Vasey
Vocal solo, Tramp, Tramp, Tramp... Gingrich
Selection, High Jinks... Clark
Dance of the Sparrows, Richmond
Selection, Newly Weds... O'Hare
March, Thunder and Blazes... Lauendreau
Star Spangled Banner.

Fines and Costs Are Assessed on Grocers

Fines of \$10 and cost aggregating \$20.35 were imposed yesterday upon J. L. Busick and Louis Solo in the justice court when both pleaded guilty to charges of displaying food and dairy products in places where they were exposed. The charges were preferred against them by L. S. Lach, deputy state food commissioner. The complaints alleged that foods and dairy products had been displayed in the store without proper cover and protection. When arraigned Saturday both pleaded statutory time in which to enter pleas. Both entered their plea at 10 o'clock yesterday.

FUTURE DATES

July 23, Saturday — Marion county Sunday school picnic, state fair grounds. Tole 25 to 31—Salem Chautauque.

BONUS BOARD IS MAKING PROGRESS

Another Meeting of Soldiers' Relief Commission is Called Today

Rapid progress is being made by the Oregon veterans' state aid commission in getting the printed forms ready for putting out into the field. To have the whole fabric of \$30,000,000 enterprise out of nothing at all, in the way of precedents, laws, theories, is a task anywhere on earth, and the Oregon commission expects to do its work so as to be beyond criticism either for intent or for results.

The closest scrutiny is being given every step, so that there may be no mistake. Some of the forms have been approved, so that this much of the work can be laid out ready for action when the rest of the machine is in order.

A meeting of the board is to be held today in the governor's office to go over additional phases of the law. It is understood that Oregon is the only state to offer a loan bonus to its soldiers. In effect, however, the law is a colossal capitalization of the theory of state loans for industrial development. It is started for the special benefit of the service men of Oregon, but the theory is capable of almost infinite extension to any class of capable citizenry that can make safe in the matter of fair security. The commission views this future with full gravity of the importance of proceeding wisely, so that the basic principle of state loans may be established by practical proof that it is right.

Appraisal, application, transfer and a host of other legal documents are being prepared so that the commission will soon be able to function properly.

Warrants Not Paid May Be Presented at Once

Those residents of Oregon holding general fund warrants marked "not paid for want of funds," should present them for redemption at once, James Crawford,

deputy state treasurer, announced yesterday.

The state's general fund has been replenished to the approximate extent of \$200,000, he said, and payments will be made as long as the money lasts.



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STEFANSSON IS COMING

Vilhjalmur Stefansson, noted explorer of the frozen North, will lecture here on the second night of Chautauqua. No more interesting story is being told on the American platform today than this one by Stefansson. For five years he was lost to the world in his exploration work in the Arctic regions. His party carried supplies for one year only, the other four years they "lived off the land." This lecture has been packing the great auditoriums throughout our largest cities. It is illustrated with splendid views taken in the North by the Stefansson party.

Seven Days Packed With Big Attractions

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